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In re Application of:

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WITH INCREASED SEED PROTEIN  
PLUS OIL

Group Art Unit: 1638

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICIAL ACTION DATED  
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This paper is submitted in response to the final Official Action dated February 17, 2009, for which the date for response is July 17, 2009 in view of the enclosed Petition for Extension of Time to Respond, and fees. A Request for Continued Examination is also submitted herewith. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct any underpayment of fees or charge any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 in connection with the filing of this

paper from Sonnenschein Nath & Rosenthal LLP Deposit Account No. 19-3140/11000023-2375/MSUT:008US. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.